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Motor Vehicle

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R § 1.97 AND 1.98

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This supplements the Information Disclosure Statement submitted in the above-identified application on September 21, 2000.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

WO 91/18385 was previously cited along with the Statement filed September 21, 2000, and therefore, is not submitted herewith.

STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE

The relevance of EP 0 469 023, DE 27 34 948, DE 44 35 296, DE 42 33 252 and DE 198 45 736 to the subject matter of the present invention is given in the Background and Summary of the Invention in the specification of the present invention.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy

of a Search Report generated in counterpart European Application No. 00118474, citing such documents, together with an English-language version of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Notice of Allowance. I hereby certify that References AA-AD listed on the Form PTO-1449 were first cited in the attached European Search Report not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, and therefore, no fee is required. However, please charge any necessary fee or credit any overpayment in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 080437.48943US).

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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